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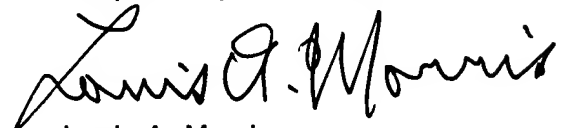
Applicant expresses her appreciation for indication by the Examiner of the allowability of claims 5-14, 19, 25 and 27-29. The instant claims have been amended by rewriting claim 14 in independent form by incorporating its subject matter into claim 1 and rewriting claims 5 and 10 in independent form via new claims 34 and 35. Claims 2-13 and 15-33 are patentable by virtue of depending directly or indirectly from patentable claim 1.

Claim 30 has been amended to correct an error in its dependency.

New claim 36 claims an embodiment where only contact with the organic liquid need be carried out *ex situ*.

In view of the above, all grounds for objection to and rejection of the instant claims have been obviated. Allowance of the instant claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis A. Morris". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Louis" being the most prominent.

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